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**SUNNYSIDE  
GLADIOLUS GARDENS**

**L. MERTON GAGE**

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**Natick, Massachusetts**

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**Price List 1916**



## THE NEWER GLADIOLUS

Wonderful improvements have been accomplished with the Gladiolus within the past ten or twelve years.

The great variety and combinations of color, form of the flowers and style of spike in the several classes to which they have evolved, together with the simple cultural requirements, have made the gladiolus the most popular of all garden flowers.

The varieties I offer in this catalog have all been grown in my gardens, or have been favorably reported by the American Gladiolus Society and National Gladiolus Society, (Great Britain).

I have discarded many of the older varieties, and some of the newer sorts that do not meet the requirements of what a named variety should be. I have also discontinued growing the common and older mixtures that have been in the catalogs year after year, so that the purchaser of my mixtures is assured of extra fine quality in any mixture purchased of me.

The American Gladiolus Society was organized in Boston, May 27, 1910.

It was formed for the purpose of stimulating interest, and in promoting the culture and development of the Gladiolus. I was secretary of the society from its organization until August 1914, and can say that much credit should be given this society for the tremendous popularity the Gladiolus now enjoys.

The National Gladiolus Society of England organized the following year and has also been a great factor in bringing the merits of this beautiful flower before the flower loving public.

Unless otherwise directed, I will not send substitutes for such varieties that are not in stock, or that I cannot supply. Orders to any amount at single bulb or dozen rate prices will be sent carriage free. If sent by express, 25 bulbs at 100 rate. No orders filled for less than 50 cents. As a guarantee of good faith, cash to the amount of 25% of the order should accompany all C. O. D. orders.

Purchasers of my bulbs are requested to report promptly all mistakes in filling orders and any bulbs that are not true to name will be replaced two for one the following season.

### SIZE OF BULBS

There seems to be a general idea that bulbs of monster size are preferable for producing large spikes of flowers. Now, some of the most desirable varieties never produce bulbs exceeding 1¼ inches in diameter, but all bulbs that I send out will be fully matured regardless of their size, and will produce splendid spikes of flowers. **I do not sell old, worn-out bulbs, my bulbs are young, and will bloom for years.**

### HOW TO PLANT AND CARE FOR THE GLADIOLUS

Gladioli may be planted from early spring until the middle of June. If possible spade in some barnyard manure the previous fall. If this manure is not available, use a good potato fertilizer in the drill or pulverized sheep manure, or both; mix thoroughly with the soil. Set the bulbs two to four inches apart in a double row in the drill, and the drills about 30 inches apart, or if in single rows 16 or 18 inches apart. The bulbs should be planted six to eight inches deep.

Gladioli are also very effective planted among shrubbery, and hardy perennials, but not in too shady a location as they require much sunshine. Gladioli will do well in any soil fairly enriched, but if the soil is clay it is a good plan to use enough sandy loam or even pure sand to just cover the bulbs in the drill. Water once a week during a continued drouth, applying about 2 gallons to 5 feet of row.

Dig the bulbs in October and immediately cut off the stalks a half inch from the bulb, and after they are thoroughly dried, remove the old roots and store in a cool but frost-proof room or cellar.

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## **VARIOUS MIXTURES OF HIGHEST QUALITY**

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### **GIANT ORCHID-FLOWERING GLADIOLUS LEMOINEI (Gage)**

This magnificent new strain of The Lemoinei Butterfly Hybrids is the result of crossing the best types of the Lemoinei varieties on Gladiolus Mrs. Frank Pendleton, one of the most beautiful gladioli ever produced.

The plants are vigorous, bearing strong spikes of enormous, well expanded flowers in dainty tints of pink, white and cream; dazzling scarlets and rich dark red shades with the characteristic blotches of carmine, scarlet and maroon, producing a flower at once distinctive and beautiful. As the stock is yet limited, only one dozen will be sold to each purchaser. Per dozen bulbs \$1.00.

### **GAGE'S SUNNYSIDE HYBRIDS**

These are a strain of seedlings of the choicest varieties of my own hybridizing.

In writing of this strain, Mr. H. E. Meader says in the Florists' Review:

"L. Merton Gage is kept quite busy at present selecting and marking the choicest specimens in the finest collections of seedlings I ever examined. Among the many fine things, I counted ten solid whites and also eight yellows, one of which surpasses anything now on the market. The finest of these is yellow as a Von Sion Narcissus, and of fine form and substance. A white seedling as large as Princes at its best, of perfectly pure paper-white color showed no tinge of deepening color under a broiling sun."

Gage's Sunnyside Hybrids in choicest mixture

**\$1.00 doz. 6 doz. \$5.00**

### **PRIMULINUS HYBRIDS (Gage)**

Very dainty and beautiful varieties obtained from crossing Primulinus (species) on garden varieties. All shades of yellow, salmon and orange, and from nearly pure white to brilliant scarlet. The most graceful gladioli of all for vases. The strain I offer is my own production.

**5c each. 50c per doz. \$3.50 per 100.**

**GAGE'S HYBRID SEEDLINGS**

A very choice seedling mixture that will be sure to please you as it will give you a collection of varieties entirely new, and will prove to be much superior to most standard mixtures.

**GAGE'S HYBRID SEEDLING IN COLOR SECTIONS**

- Selected White and Light Colors—doz. 50c. per 100 \$3.00**  
**Selected Pink, Scarlet and Crimsons—doz. 40c. per 100 \$2.50**  
**Selected Purple, Lilac and Bluish Shades—doz. 50c. per 100 \$3.00**  
**Selected Yellow Shades—doz. 50c. per 100 \$3.00**  
**Selected Lilac, Mauve and Violet Shades—doz. 75c. per 100 \$5.00**  
**All Colors—doz. 40c. per 100 \$2.50**

**EXTRA SELECTED STANDARD COLLECTION**

This is a splendid collection I have made up from the finest varieties and mixtures of European and American Specialists.

- All Colors Mixed—per doz. 35c. per 100 \$2.50**
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**POPULAR COLLECTIONS**

**No. 1—12 Bulbs Value 75c.**

Meadowvale, Augusta Brenchleyensis, Canary Bird, Mrs. F. King, Glory, Independence, May, Shakespeare, America, The King, Mephistophles,

- 1 each of above varieties 50c. 2 each 90c. 3 each \$1.25.**

**No. 2—10 Bulbs Value \$1.00.**

Chicago White, Cherry King, Dawn, (Tracys), Dora Kraiss, Reine de l'Anjou, Snowbank, Sulphur King, Nezenscott, Baron Hulot, Rosy Spray.

- 1 each 75c. 2 each \$1.40. 3 each \$2.00.**

**GAGE'S EXHIBITION COLLECTION**

**No. 3—12 Bulbs Value \$2.00.**

Mrs. Frank Pendleton, Niagara, Europa, Mrs. G. W. Moulton, Florence, Aristophane, Ida Van, Mrs. L. Merton Gage, Myrtle, Peace, Berlinia, Halley.

- 1 each \$1.75. 2 each \$3.25. 3 each \$4.75.**

## NOVELTIES FOR 1916

### GANDAVENSIS CLASS

**MODESTA (Gage)**—This is the name of a very beautiful butterfly which this gladiolus resembles in its coloring, and the remarkable manner in which the colors are arranged, produces an almost perfect reproduction of this butterfly. The dominant color is a rich Bordeaux purple, with blotches of Barium yellow on the lower petals and the upper petals carrying smaller blotches that give the flowers the butterfly effect....**50c each.**

**VENICE (Gage)**—A dainty and distinct new color for the gladiolus. Venetian pink; the lower petals having a blotch of sulphur yellow striped with ox-heart red. Very free flowering, and one of the earliest to bloom.....**25c each.**

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## LIST OF STANDARD VARIETIES

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### Gandavensis Class

**ARISTOPHANE (Brunelet)**—Salmon pink, with a slight rosy tinge, and bearing a white band in the center of each petal. The flower petals bear a blotch of pale yellow faintly lined with rich red. The flowers are large and well opened. Spike tall and straight.....**25c each.**

**AUGUSTA (Hallock)**—Clear white, with slight suffusion of pink on lower half of petals. Several flowers out at once. Vigorous grower and very popular. **5c each. 40c per doz. \$4.00 per 100.**

**BRENCHLEYENSIS (Youell)**—Vivid scarlet with pencillings of yellow in the throat. Flowers of medium size but many are open at one time producing a brilliant effect. Especially useful for the garden. Vigorous grower. One of the oldest of the hybrids, and one of the most popular.

**5c each. 40c per doz. \$3.00 per 100.**

**CANARY BIRD (Childs)**—Numerous flowers of good size on a tall straight spike and wearing a color of exquisite yellow tone, make this variety especially useful for decorative purposes and in combination with such sorts as America and Baron Hulot yield a splendid effect.....**10c each. 75c per doz.**

**CHERRY KING (Kunderd)**—Cherry-red, of a rich, deep tint, with a blotch of still deeper tint on the lower petals. Flowers of medium size, but of a graceful form. Four to six out at one time. A very attractive sort.....**15c each. \$1.50 per doz.**

**CHICAGO WHITE (Kunderd)**—The dominating color is white, though the throat is pale yellow and the inferior petals bear fine lines of rose pink. The flowers are of medium size, but they open early in the season; in fact this variety is considered the "earliest white".....**5c each. 50c per doz.**

**CONTRAST (Childs)**—Flowers of great substance and a beautiful compact spike of perfect form; color intense scarlet with a large distinct pure white center which is neither tinted nor mottled. A most striking novelty.

**35c each. \$3.50 per doz. \$25.00 per 100.**



**DAISY RAND (Kunderd)**—Soft rose pink splashed with a darker tone, the lower petals bearing a small patch of pale buff pencilled with rosy pink. Fine.....**25c each.**

**DAWN (Tracy)**—Rose pink, of a beautiful tint. Flowers of graceful form. Spike tall and straight.....**15c each. \$1.50 per doz.**

**DORA KRAIS (Pfützer)**—Rich buff flecked with rosy pink; the lower petals bearing blotches of carmine on a yellow ground. Flowers large wide open and of graceful form. The spike is tall and the leaves are wide and firm. The entire plant is attractive and the blossoms have more than ordinary beauty.  
**10c each. \$1.00 per doz.**

**EL CAPITAN (Kunderd)**—Bright sulphur yellow, with slight pencilling of red on the lower petals. Flowers large and well opened; four to six out at one time. Spike tall—four feet and over—strong and straight. Leaves wide; entire plant vigorous.....**10c each. \$1.00 per doz.**

**ELIZABETH KURTZ (Pfützer)**—Alabaster white, slightly flecked with rosy pink. Flowers very large and of graceful lily-like form. Six to eight out at one time. Fine for garden effect or for cutting. One of the best recent novelties.  
**15c each. \$1.50 per doz.**

**EMPRESS OF INDIA (Velthuys)**—Rich dark red with a purplish tinge—a rare and beautiful color. The flowers have been greatly admired wherever shown. One of the best of recent novelties. Received certificates of merit at Haarlem and London in 1912.....**10c each. \$1.00 per doz.**

**EUROPA (Pfützer)**—Snowy white, without a trace of color. The finest white yet offered. Awarded certificate of merit at London, Berlin and Paris.....**15c each. \$1.50 per doz.**

**FAERIE (Syn: Cream Pink) (Kunderd)**—Major petals of pale pink, splashed with a darker tone, the lower or inferior petals lemon yellow with fine lines of crimson and lipped with soft pink. The spike is tall and straight, the blossoms of medium size and well open, and several appear at one time.  
**25c each. \$2.50 per doz.**

**FLORENCE (Souchet)**—Bright lilac, with large blotch on the flower petals. Flowers of unusually large size and exceedingly attractive coloring. Fine.....**25c each. \$2.50 per doz.**

**GALLIENI (Brunelet)**—Poppy red of intense tone, shading to pink in the throat; a creamy blotch on the lower petal. The flowers are large, and several are in bloom at one time, producing a brilliant and striking effect. Award of merit, London, 1913.....**35c each. \$3.50 per doz.**

**GLORY (Kunderd)**—The opening buds are of a soft Nankeen yellow, edged with pink, but as the blossoms expand the ground color changes to a rich ivory white slightly suffused with pale lavender, which is deeper on the edges. The lower petals are buffish, with a pale crimson stripe through the center; the throat is pencilled with buff and crimson. The spike is straight and strong and bears twelve to twenty blossoms, which are large and of graceful form. The petals are heavily "ruffled," giving the flower a peculiar soft and beautiful effect. This is the variety that made Kunderd famous. It was introduced two years ago, and was awarded certificates of merit at Rochester, Boston, and Baltimore....**5c each. 50c per doz.**

**GLORY OF HOLLAND**—A new pure white with anthers of delicate lavender. Blossoms large and set gracefully upon a tall spike. Gained award of merit at Haarlem and at London.  
**10c each. \$1.00 per doz.**

**GOVERNOR HANLEY (Kunderd)**—Rich cardinal, a little deeper in the throat. Flowers medium size, four to six at one time. A fine sort for cutting.....**20c each. \$2.00 per doz.**

**IDA VAN (Kunderd)**—The color of the petals is that brilliant red which the French Florists call "carthamus" but which is known in England as "Lincoln" red, while on the inferior petals is a blotch of strawberry red. The blossoms are large and wide open and with their brilliant coloring, make an imposing appearance. Six to eight are in bloom at one time. They have been much admired wherever exhibited and in the summer of 1913 won an award of merit at the exhibition of the British Gladiolus Society, held in London. The plant is vigorous and the spike is straight and tall. **5c each. 50c per doz.**

**INDEPENDENCE (Woodruff)**—This variety has never received the attention to which its grand qualities justly entitle it and the strange reason for this neglect is found in the plant's splendid fertility. It proved so prolific that it quickly became abundant and the price was lowered so rapidly that buyers supposed it was of inferior quality and passed it over without examination. The color of the blossoms varies from deep rosy pink to orange scarlet but always brilliant and rich. It is used extensively by the Boston florists for designs.  
**5c each. 40c per doz. \$3.00 per 100.**

**LE TRIOMPHE (Brunelet)**—Purplish mauve splashed with a darker tone and striped with carmine; creamy white blotch on lower petals. Flowers very large and well expanded, measuring four to five inches across. Spike straight and strong. A showy flower of great merit.....**25c each. \$2.50 per doz.**

**LOVELINESS (Van Konijnenburg)**—As its name implies this variety produces flowers of distinction in daintiness and beauty. The color is of pale creamy tone, soft and delicate, with a roseate tinge in the centre. The flowers are large and well placed on the spike; and as a major part of these splendid blossoms are open at one time they make this variety superior for decorative effect. A vase full of these exquisite beauties make a delightful display. The stalk is tall and straight and strong. The variety was first seen in London last year and was much admired. Received an A. of M. of the National Gladiolus Society and also gained a certificate in Haarlem.....15c each. \$1.50 per 100.

**MAY (Crawford)**—White, finely flaked with bright, rosy crimson. Plant vigorous, spike strong, excellent for forcing. Very popular.....5c each. 40c per doz.

**MEADOWVALE (Cowee)**—White with a flake of crimson at the throat and a dash of soft pink on lower petals. Ten to twelve flowers in bloom at one time. Plant vigorous, spike straight and strong.....5c each. 40c per doz.

**MARY FENNEL (Syn: Charlotte, Giant Lavender) (Kunderd)**—Deep lavender shading to a paler tint; lower petals primrose-yellow with pencilling of lavender. Flowers large and well expanded—three and four open at one time. Stalk tall and straight. Unusual and attractive. There is no other gladiolus like it. It is beautiful and refined, and stately as a duchess, and will be prized by those who admire the patricians of the garden.....25c each. \$2.50 per doz.

**MONS. A. BROUGNIART (Brunelet)**—Ground color rose pink, slightly tinged with orange, and splashed with red. A large white blotch on the lower petal. Splendid.  
15c each. \$1.50 per doz.

**MRS. A. E. KUNDERD (Kunderd)**—White, slightly suffused with pink and with fine red lines in the throat. Flowers large, well formed, and of good substance.....25c each.

**MRS. G. W. MOULTON (Kunderd)**—Another beautiful red flower of the dark, rich tone of the American Beauty Rose, splashed with a darker tone on the inferior petals which also bear delicate tracings of white. The spike is tall and straight, the leaves large and firm and with its large, graceful and richly colored flowers it makes an especially attractive plant for garden effect. Excellent for cutting...25c each. \$2.50 per doz.

**MRS. MALCOLM MACKAY (Syn: Improved 1900) (Kunderd)—**

Cherry-red of intense tint, with a large patch of snowy white on the lower petals. Flower of good size, well expanded, and of graceful form—five to eight in bloom at one time. Spike tall, straight, and strong. Somewhat similar to Contrast and Margaret, but the red is brighter and the white purer, and together they produce a more attractive blossom than any of the several varieties, that wear these strongly contrasted colors. Especially effective in the garden, yet fine for cutting.

**25c each. \$2.50 per doz.**

**MRS. L. MERTON GAGE (Kunderd) (13)—**Glistening white, with an occasional suffusion of delicate pink; lower petals bear a dainty strippling of rose pink. Anthers purplish blue. Flowers of good size and graceful form. Spike straight and strong; blooms early. One of the best of the whites. Awarded a First Class Certificate of Merit by the Worcester Co. Horticultural Society, Worcester, Mass., August 12, 1915.

**25c each. \$2.50 per doz.**

**MYRTLE (Syn: Soft Pink) (Kunderd)—**Tender and delicate rose pink, the most beautiful pink yet produced in a gladiolus. The throat is creamy white, with, sometimes a small patch of pale primrose yellow on the inferior petals. Flowers of good size and graceful form. Four to six out at one time. Blooms early. Capital for forcing. Awarded a silver medal by the Massachusetts Horticultural Society in 1912.

**20c each. \$2.00 per doz.**

**NEGERFURST (Pfitzer)—**Brilliant velvety dark red, flaked with black. The white blotch is flaked with lilac pink. This variety shows an extremely vigorous growth, producing spikes more than two feet in length. Early flowering. **Extra.**

**20c each. \$2.00 per doz.**

**PARURE (Brunelet)—**Rose pink, of satiny texture, white line in center of petals, edges pencilled with carmine. Flowers very large, well expanded, and of good form and substance. A graceful, attractive and beautiful variety.

**25c each. \$2.50 per doz.**

**PEACE (Groff)—**A large flowered, vigorous plant, tall and straight spike, rich colored and abundant foliage and blossoms of a blueish white tone. The lower petals wear a thin line of dark carmine. The general appearance of this variety, when in bloom, is simple and quiet but graceful elegance.

**10c each. \$1.00 per doz.**

**PRIDE OF GOSHEN (Kunderd)**—Bright Salmon pink. Flowers very large and well opened. Petals heavily ruffled. Plant unusually tall and vigorous. General appearance imposing. New.

15c each. \$1.50 per doz.

**PRINCESS OF ORANGE (Kunderd)**—A new variety of deep orange color, relieved by a fine line of white. The blossoms are of large size but of graceful form, making a spike that is exceedingly attractive.....25c each. \$2.50 per doz.

**REINE DE L'ANJOU (Syn: Reine Blanche, le Radium, Jeanne d'Arc, White Excelsior) (Barre)**—Pure white, except a small crimson line at the bottom of the throat. Flowers of graceful form and good size and substance. Plant exceptionally vigorous, growing four to five feet in height and producing generally three flowers, stems which bear twelve to twenty blossoms each. One of the best of whites. Especially effective for the garden.....5c each. 50c per doz.

**SHAKESPEARE (Souchet)**—White slightly suffused with rose. Flowers of good size and well opened. Spike tall and straight.

5c each. 50c per doz.

**SNOWBANK (Cowee)**—Fine spike of well-formed flowers; white, stained red at base of petals.

5c each. 50c per doz. \$4.00 per 100

**SULPHUR KING (Childs)**—Clear sulphur yellow—the best of the yellows. Beautiful flowers and vigorous plant. Spike straight and strong.....15c each. \$1.50 per doz.

**SUMMER BEAUTY (Kunderd)**—Very similar to Tracy's Dawn, but bright pink where Dawn is rose pink. One of Mr. Kunderd's finest varieties.....25c each. \$2.50 per doz.

**WELLESLEY (Gage)**—A very pretty lilac pink, the two lower petals of a soft primrose with crimson throat mark. Novelty, 1915.....25c each. \$2.50 per doz.

**WAR (Groff)**—Deep blood red, shaded crimson-black.

15c each. \$1.50 per doz.

## Childs Class

**AMERICA (Banning)**—Soft flesh pink, tinted with lavender; lower petals pencilled with deep rose pink. Flowers large and wide open. Several in bloom at one time. Especially beautiful and dainty. Exceedingly popular. Plant vigorous. Spike straight and strong.....**5c each. 35c per doz. \$2.00 per 100.**

**ATTRACTION (Childs)**—Deep, dark crimson pink, with a large pure white center, free from mottling or spots, making a most conspicuous and attractive contrast. The spike and flowers large, regular, and all facing one way.  
**10c each. \$1.00 per doz.**

**ENCHANTRESS (Miller)**—Blush white, lightly flaked with lake pink toward the margins; throat encircled on the lower petals with carmine lake blotch; a dusting of golden bronze zoning; the blotch is unique.....**20c each. \$2.00 per doz.**

**I. S. HENRICKSON (Childs)**—Deep pink and white, irregularly mottled. In some plants the white predominates and in others the pink. Flowers very large. Spike tall and strong. Very showy and handsome.....**10c each. \$1.00 per doz.**

**MRS. BEECHER (Childs)**—Rosy crimson of rich tone, excepting the throat, which is white spotted with red. The blossoms are large and well opened.....**10c each. \$1.00 per doz.**

**NEZINSCOTT (Childs)**—Bright scarlet, with dark red, crimson blotch and white pencillings in the throat. Very showy. Tall and vigorous.....**10c each. \$1.00 per doz.**

**NIAGARA (Banning)**—Soft primrose yellow, slightly tinged with rose pink in the throat. Flowers large and of exceptionally graceful form. One of the best of the novelties of 1911. Awarded certificate of merit at Boston and Baltimore.  
**10c each. \$1.00 per doz.**

**NORMA DEE CHILDS (Childs)**—Large delicate shell pink flowers with darker mottling. Soft primrose in the throat. Very beautiful. ....**20c each. \$2.00 per doz.**

**ROSY SPRAY (Childs)**—Pale rose pink suffused with a deeper tone. Flowers large, wide open and of exceedingly graceful lily-like form. One of the best.....**10c each. \$1.00 per doz.**

**WILD ROSE (Childs)**—Bright rose pink, more or less splashed with lighter and deeper tints, fine lines of deep pink on lower petals. Flowers large and of graceful form. One of the best.  
**10c each. \$1.00 per doz.**

## Lemoinei Class

(Butterfly Hybrids)

**BADENIA (Fitscher)**—For a description of this beautiful variety we cannot do better than quote Mrs. Francis King, the well-known authority on floriculture.—She writes: "No words can paint the beauty of this flower. A true lavender in color, not too blue, its flowers are large, finely expanded and many open upon the stem at one time." This variety is quite new, but was exhibited last season at Chicago and at several of the large flower shows in Europe, and wherever seen it created a sensation. Was awarded certificates at both Haarlem and London and won a medal at Chicago.....**\$1.00 each.**

**BALTIMORE (Groff)**—Salmon pink with a red blotch on the lower petal. A very attractive variety. **10c each. \$1.00 per doz.**

**BARON JOSEPH HULOT (Lemoine)**—Rich purple violet. Flowers of medium size but of graceful form. Good for cutting. **5c each. 40c per doz.**

**BLUE JAY.** Not to be confused with Baron J. Hulot. Beautiful pale blue with white blotch. Large open flowers. Spike strong and well filled. The best blue to date, **20c each. \$2.00 per doz.**

**MEPHISTOPHELES (Lemoine)**—Bright crimson splashed with dark crimson and yellow. Flowers large and very attractive. Effective for the garden. ....**5c each. 50c per doz.**

**METEOR (Pfitzer)**—Bright nasturtium red, a blotch of carmine on the lower petals. Flowers large and well opened. Spike tall, straight, and strong. Striking and effective, especially adapted for the garden. ....**35c each. \$3.50 per doz.**

**MRS. FRANK PENDLETON (Kunderd)**—The selection of the most beautiful variety of any flower is a good deal a matter of personal preference, but in a list of the most beautiful gladioli now grown the premiere station would probably be awarded to Mrs. Frank Pendleton by the majority of judges. It is indeed a splendid flower and its brilliant beauty is obtained through a combining and blending of brilliant colors—bright pink of two tones and rich carmine, the latter appearing on the inferior petals. Its type of beauty is of a compelling sort—you cannot pass a vase filled with its spikes without stopping to admire. Wherever it had been exhibited it has been given unstinted praise, and has won award at Boston, Worcester, Rochester, New York, Baltimore, Chicago, and London and this at a time when beautiful gladioli are not rare—the competitors and rivals of Mrs. Frank Pendleton have been famous beauties. The blossoms are large, well opened and of graceful form. The spike is tall and straight and the entire plant displays health and vigor.

**15c each. \$1.50 per doz.**



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**PROPHETESSE (Lemoine)**—White with crimson throat. Flowers large and well expanded. Vigorous plant. Blooms early. Beautiful. ....5c each. 50c per doz.

**ROSELLA (Cowee)**—Mrs. Francis King, when describing this variety writes:— "Gladiolus Rosella is a lovely thing. In its main tone carmine purple (chart Pourpe carmine No. 1) with its throat markings No. 3 of the same plate, the effect is of a huge flower of rich orchid-like pink, very beautiful, a very open spreading flower. Rosella above ageratum Stella Gurney cannot fail to be a success in color paintings. Rosella below Salvia Azurea, with the annual pink mallow near by; and last, Rosella with Baron Hulot, that small flowered but ever needed gladiolus of the color known as Bishop's violet."

5c each. 50c per doz.

**LEMONEI VARIETIES (Gage)**—In finest assorted colors.  
50c per doz. \$3.50 per 100.

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### Nanceianus Class

**AMARYLLIS (Kunderd)**—Blood red, of a brilliant tint. Spike of medium height. Flowers large and formed very like an Amaryllis. One of the best of the reds..25c each. \$2.50 per doz.

**BERLINIA (Cowee)**—Beautiful shade of shell-pink flaked with spots of a darker shade, the throat and three lower petals brilliantly marked with strong carmine..25c each. \$2.50 per doz.

**DESDEMONE (Vilmorin)**—Flowers of ashy rose ground color, suffused with pale yellow and violet. Lower petal with large blotch of red edged with white. Blossoms of very large size and well opened. Extremely attractive. 10c each. \$1.00 per doz.

**GAIETY (Syn: Pigeon, Bird of Paradise) (Kunderd)**—Bright salmon pink, suffused and spotted with a deeper tint; lower petals with a blotch of creamy white, pencilled with rich pink. Flowers large. Spike tall and straight. Exceptionally attractive.....25c each. \$2.50 per doz.



**GEORGE PAUL (Syn: Harvard) (Lemoine)**—Deep crimson, slightly stained with yellow and spotted with purple. Large, open flowers.....5c each. 50c per doz.

**HALLEY (De Ruyter and Hogewoning)**—The predominating color of these flowers is delicate salmon pink with a slight roseate tinge, though the lower petals bear a creamy blotch with a stripe of bright red through the center, the whole producing a delightful effect. The variety is quite new but has already gained a First Class Certificate, National Gladiolus Society, and become popular.....5c each. 50c per doz.

**LIEBESFEUR (Fitscher)**—A magnificent large flowering dark scarlet. Certificate of merit at London and Haarlem. Extra.  
25c each. \$2.50 per doz.

**MRS. FRANCIS KING (Coblentz)**—Flame pink. Flowers large and well expanded, of graceful form and beautiful color. The spike is tall, straight, and strong. One of the most attractive and most popular of gladioli. Excellent for garden effect and for cutting.....5c each. 40c per doz. \$2.00 per 100.

**PIONEER (Brunelet)**—Long spike with large, well-expanded flowers of salmon pink, splashed with a darker tone; cherry-red blotches on a creamy ground.  
5c each. 50c per doz. \$3.00 per 100.

**PRINCEPS (Van Fleet)**—Dazzling scarlet, a patch on the lower petals of buffish white, bordered by clear white. Flowers of amaryllis-like form and of immense size, measuring five inches and more across. Usually one or two only are in bloom at one time, though occasional spikes will produce a fourth bloom before the first has faded. A grand and brilliant variety.  
5c each. 50c per doz.

**SCARSDALE (Cowee)**—Tall grower with large lilac colored flowers.....10c each. 75c per doz.

**TAVISTOCK (Gage)**—Similar to Princeps, of which it is a seedling, but the red is not quite so bright and the white blotch is less conspicuous, while more flowers appear at one time than the parent displays.....**10c each. \$1.00 per doz.**

**THE KING (Cowee)**—Rich magenta, the throat bearing a blotch of red on a white ground. Flowers large and wide open. One of the finest of the nanceianus class.

**5c each. 40c per doz. \$2.00 per 100.**

**WILLIAM STEINHAUSEN (Pfitzer)**—Soft scarlet with pale crimson blotches on lower petals. Unopened buds, livid scarlet. A splendid variety. Awarded a first-class certificate by the Massachusetts Horticultural Society.....**50c each.**

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## SPECIES

**PRIMULINUS**—A new and rare species, discovered in South Africa in 1889. The color is a clear primrose yellow. The form of the flower is distinctive, the upper petal drooping forward. The foliage is slender, but vigorous. Blooms early.  
**20c each. \$2.00 per doz.**

**QUARTINIANUS (South Africa)**—A valuable species for hybridizing, producing tall spikes with large flowers of great substance in finest colors. Color Nopal red with a line of olive yellow running through the lateral petals; lower petal olive yellow edged with red. Perfectly healthy, and very strong and vigorous. Start in pots February 1st and plant out middle of May (very late bloomer).....**25c each. \$2.50 per doz.**

## LETTERS OF APPRECIATION

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I purchased two hundred thousand gladioli last season and those that I got of you were the finest that I bought.

H. P. VAN WAGNER, Gladiolus Specialist.  
Stoney Creek, Ontario, Nov. 9, 1915.

### REGARDING GLADIOLUS MRS. FRANK PENDLETON

From H. Youell, Secretary, American Gladiolus Society.

Dear Mr. Gage:—It gave me very great pleasure to inspect your gladiolus fields and note the high state of cultivation of everything growing there.

The total absence of disease was very apparent. Among all your beautiful sorts, Mrs. Frank Pendleton, to my mind, is the finest, for it is in a class by itself. The immense spikes of such gorgeously colored flowers commands attention at once from professionals and amateurs alike.

Wishing you continued success,

H. YOEELL.

Mrs. Frank Pendleton was the best in one of the hottest and driest seasons we ever had.

HENRY C. ECKERT, Gladiolus Specialist, Belleville, Ill.

## **LOCATION OF SUNNYSIDE GLADIOLUS GARDENS**

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My gardens are located on the main line of the Boston & Worcester Electric Railway, one mile north from Natick Center, at Sunnyside, the junction of the B. & W. and Middlesex Electric lines. Visitors are always welcome and you are especially invited to visit my fields in August and September, at the height of the blooming season.

**L. MERTON GAGE.**





GLADIOLUS MRS. FRANK PENDLETON

Grown from  $\frac{5}{8}$  inch Bulbs